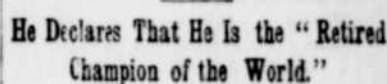


FITZ'S LAST BATTLE



IT'S THE WISH OF HIS WIFE

**To-Night He'll Spar in San Francisco, and Hereafter He Will Not Even Pose as a Scrappier
—Other Pugs Notified.**

Carson, March 19.—Robert Fitzsimmons, champion of the world, left this evening from the scene of the battle ground on which he received his laurels of superiority. He walked down the street under thick flakes of snow and was greeted from every quarter, acknowledging all tributes with a bow. His gait was spry and agile and his countenance was free from marks from the battle, with the exception of his lower lip, and that is healing rapidly. Mrs. Fitzsimmons was driven to the depot later. Husband and wife sat in a corner of the smoking room alone, awaiting the arrival of the train. Today Fitzsimmons reiterated his intention of leaving the ring.

"I do this in compliance with a request made by my wife before I met Corbett on Wednesday last, and should expect the promise that, win or lose, my last battle would be my last, and that promise I intend to keep. I am confident of my ability to outclass any man in the world, and would appear again in the ring to-morrow were it not for that reason. When, after to-day, I have occasion to sign my name to any article in print or paper, it shall be 'Robert Fitzsimmons, retired champion of the world.'"

Fitzsimmons' destination is San Francisco, where he will appear in the Mechanics' pavilion to-morrow night, and that will be his last appearance in public. He has notified Corbett, Goddard, Chynoweth, Sullivan, Markes and Maher of his retirement and will not even give posting or sparring exhibitions in future.

CORBETT CLAIMS VICTORY.
He Says That Fitz Was Down for More
Than 10 Seconds.

San Francisco, March 19.—In fashionable attire, with no external marks of pugilistic defeat, but debonair and smiling as if he had just won a great victory, James J. Corbett, ex-champion, paraded the streets to-day and made his appearance in some of the more noted cafes and saloons with a coterie of admiring friends. "I'm not out without a scratch," said Jim. "There are no cuts or gashes. A few of my joints are twisted, but that does not amount to anything. My people take it harder than I do. I wish I had weighed them all before the fight. I'll bet Harry Joe and all of them lost more than I did. It did not hurt father as much as it does me."

Jimmy Wakely of New York inquired what Jim's plans were for the immediate future.

"I won't make any move till Brady arrives," said he. "I see he is trying to get

another match with Julian, but I hardly think they will give me another chance. I don't care a snap about the championship. I want to get another battle with the friends came in and extended the sympathy. He showed them his disabled hands, which were swollen twice their normal size. "That was all done in the sixth round," said he. "If they had gone back on me I would have finished him in the seventh. That is why I had no steam."

In the presence of a number of his friends, Fitzsimmons expressed the opinion that Fitzsimmons was down 12 seconds when he fell in the sixth round. "You can be all you have got," said he. "That he was out more than 10 seconds. Scores of men will back me up, but the decision is in and there is no use kicking."

IN JAIL IN CARSON.
Mysterious Billy Smith Runs Up Against Serious Trouble.
Carson, March 19.—Mysterious Billy Smith, who threw up the sponge with George Green on Wednesday, is now reposing in the county jail in Carson. He got on the train this evening to go to San Francisco, and walking up behind a detective that he had seen with him, attempted to strangle him in the neck. His fists were drawn, but before anything was accomplished officers had "Mysterious Billy in tow and were leading him down to the cooler. He was arrested last evening on a charge of disorderly conduct and spent the night in jail, but now will probably spend a short time in the pen.

MORE TROUBLE.

Dan Stuart's Big Amphitheater Is Covered With Attachments.

Carson, March 18.—P. J. Donahue, the San Francisco architect who constructed the big arena for Dan Stuart, to-day plastered an attachment on the building to recover money which he claims is due according to the contract made by Stuart. The first attachment is for \$260 and the second for \$75. The case will be brought up in the district court to-morrow.

Sharkey and Maher.
Pittsburg, March 19.—In reply to the announcement from San Francisco published today that Tom Sharkey had deposited \$2,000 for a fight with Peter Maher, the latter's manager, John J. Quinn says: "If Sharkey will deposit his money it will be covered within 24 hours for the purpose of \$2,000."

The Situation Is Bad.
Constantinople, March 19.—The Servian minister here has called the serious attention of the Turkish government to the situation of affairs existing in the provinces of Kosovo, and has asserted that the Christian and Moslem-stricken in consequence of the mobilizing of the Turkish reserves and Bashibazouks. The minister also drew the porte's attention to the recent attack upon Servian and Austrian consuls in a small village, and threatened a further attitude of war by Servia during the present crisis, expressing the hope that the porte would put a stop to the existing situation, a continuation of which, it is added, may have serious consequences. Turkish soldiers in Epirus are being prepared to join the Greek army, persons not Mohammedans, who pay taxes, who are Ottoman subjects, from leaving Epirus to join the Greek forces.